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There is considerable evidence to support a belief that the action of Pres TRUMAN in naming Gen MARK CLARK as our 1st Ambassador to the Vatican was a political move never intended to come to consummation.

In the light of our expanding defense effort, it would seem rather quixotic to name an experienced, high-ranking military man for this post. There is no intent to question the competency of Gen CLARK. But it would appear that there must be many available persons who could be more readily spared.

Mr TRUMAN knew, of course, that it would be a virtual impossibility to have the CLARK nomination confirmed before the scheduled adjournment of Congress; he knew, also, that an interim appointment would be impracticable, since no military man is permitted to hold a public post without special Congressional action. Thus, it seems not unreasonable to suggest that the President could safely make this political gesture, and then permit the nomination to expire without further action. This is the course we expect him to follow. Then, in due time, he will, in all probability, appoint another "personal representative" to the Vatican—probably a prominent Protestant layman—and the controversial issue will then be closed.

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YOU ON THAT?

Gen DWIGHT D EISENHOWER, Allied Comdr, N Atlantic Pact nations: "If the time ever comes I feel that my duty compels me to say a word of any kind (about politics) I will do so positively and definitely." 1-Q

ANNA ROSENBERG, Ass't Sec'y of Defense, after visit to Korean war front: "The formula of guns and butter is out. It is guns 1st—then butter, if possible." 2-Q

Sen LYNDON B JOHNSON, of Tex, criticizing lag in arms output: "We cannot repel Soviet tanks with passenger limousines and rubber dolls afford little defense against Russian artillery shells. Furthermore, we have never designed a luxury tv set that will shoot down a MIG-15 jet plane." 3-Q

JAWAHARLAL NEHRU, Indian Prime Minister: "I see no reason why Suez should not be under Egyptian sovereignty, but with its operations and traffic internationalized." 4-Q

MARTIN NIEMOLLER, German Protestant pastor: "We must not extend brotherhood only to those with the point of view we like, but to all. We must understand even hardened criminals." 5-Q

FRANK E MCKINNEY, newly appointed chmn, Democratic Nat'l Committee: "No one in hqrs shall be permitted to accept favors, gifts, fees, emoluments or remunerations of any kind from outside sources for intercession, influence or services rendered while receiving a salary from the nat'l committee." 6-Q

Princess ELIZABETH, on her brief visit in Washington: "Free men everywhere look toward the U S with affection and hope. The message that has gone out from this great capital has brought help and courage to a troubled world." 7-Q

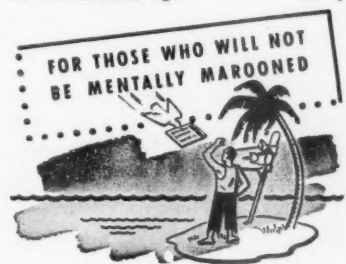
Gen HOYT S VANDENBERG, U S Air Force Chief of Staff: "Strikes in certain sections of this country have set back the air force's procurement of planes by 12 mo's." 8-Q

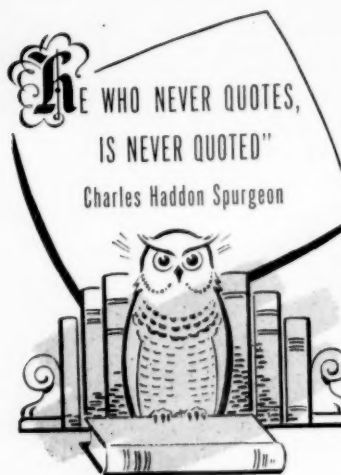
Gen GEO C MARSHALL: "To be unprepared these days would be a tragic risk of our freedom." 9-Q

LEWIS B HERSHEY, Selective Service director: "The world in its present state is one in which we can feel far more security if all our citizenry is trained." 10-Q

JOHN COWLES, publisher: "I may be an incurable optimist, but I think . . . trying to settle our differences with the Soviet Union might lead to eventual world disarmament with effective internat'l control and inspection." 11-Q

Rev Dr RALPH W SOCKMAN, of Christ Church (Methodist), N Y: "The family is the spiritual atom of the atomic age." 12-Q





ACTION—1

Pray for a good harvest but keep on hoeing.—Slovenian proverb.

AMERICA—Appreciation—2

If the American people are to render acceptable thanks for the good things they have today, then must they share these good things with their brethren all around the circle of the earth.—Rev DONALD HARRINGTON, *Missions*.

ARGUMENT—3

It isn't smart to argue with a fool; listeners can't tell which is which.—R & R Mag, hm, Ins Research & Review Service.

ATOMIC ENERGY—4

More than 90,000 people are now engaged in America on atomic energy work. . . The land area now sealed off for atomic energy plans and testing grounds am'ts to 2,800 sq mi's, an area almost as large as the states of R I and Del together. . .

Of the 90,000 working on atomic energy in the U S, rather fewer than 5,500 are paid directly by the gov't. The rest are working for private firms.—*Economist*, London.

AVIATION—5

The time of 4 hrs, 18 min's, 24.4 sec's set up by a British Canberra jet bomber on a flight from Belfast to Gander, Newfoundland, Aug 31, has been recognized as a record by aviation authorities.—*Reuters*.

BUSINESS—6

Business is sensitive. It goes only where it is invited and stays only as long as it is well treated. — FRED WARING, *Brushware*.

CHARACTER—7

A rich man may be a poor neighbor.—*Present Truth Messenger*.

CHILDREN—Guidance—8

A child is a bank where you can deposit your most precious treasures.—*Irish Digest*, Dublin.

CHINA—9

Up to 2 yrs ago, the British concession of Hong Kong was ablaze with bright new Communist flags. It is significant of the disillusionment of Hong Kong Chinese that there is hardly one Red flag today. It is perhaps even more significant that the Nationalist banner has not replaced the waning Red Star.—VINCENT S KEARNEY, "Postscript to the China Story," *America*, 10-20-'51.

COMMUNISM—10

Communism is the substitution of propaganda for intelligence. — *Call Workman*, hm, Workman Service.

CONSISTENCY—Lack—11

I find it very difficult to reconcile a position that the liberties of the communists to organize must be maintained, while the liberties of loyal young Americans must be taken away by a peacetime draft to protect their country against the communists.—HAROLD STASSEN, *Man Was Meant to Be Free*. (Doubleday)

DEFENSE—Internat'l—12

Nothing cements an alliance more securely than the existence of a common enemy.—K M SMOGORZEWSKI, "Soviet Satellite Armies in Europe," *Fortnightly*, 10-'51.

DRINK—Drinking—13

It has been estimated that within the next 10 yrs one out of every 27 Americans may be either killed or injured by a drinking driver.—*Concern*.

EDUCATION—14

We are living in a changing world. We want to keep the schools as modern as our autos and refrigerators. — WILBUR YOUNG, *Ind Sup't of Public Instruction*.

EGO—15

The only witchcraft to fear is the evil "I."—T N TIEMEYER, *Pulpit Digest*.

EMOTIONS—16

Sweeping the dust under the rug is bad from a hygienic standpoint, but infinitely worse from a psychological one. It is one of the greatest weaknesses of our human nature, sweeping emotional rubbish—our hate or hurt or humiliation—under the nearest cover-up and then pretending that all is well. . .

Deal with it. If you have made a mistake or rec'd a cruel shock, don't try to hide it. Make what amends you can if they are called for. Then clear it out of your life as you would clear any other litter.—ELSIE ROBINSON, *King Features Syndicate*.

ETHICS—17

If the deal isn't good for the other party it isn't good for you.—B C FORBES, *Forbes*.

EXPERIENCE—18

There is some logic in decrying concentration of attention on past mistakes as unprofitable wailing over spilt milk, but there is also

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some logic in relieving the milk-maid of the bucket before she spills the contents again.—Editorial, *Columbia*.

FAME—19

Wm Oberhardt, early in his career as an artist, confessed to Hudson Maxim his nervousness when drawing celebrities. "Don't let celebrities awe you," Maxim said. "The more you know them the more you will find that their halos generally hang over one ear." — *American Artist*.

Undiscovered Friend

When you go walking down a st,
No matter whom you chance to meet,
No matter if he's tall or slim,
No matter if he's Joe or Jim,
No matter if he's rich or poor,
No matter if he thinks the cure
To certain problems of the day
Is not the cure that you would say,
No matter what his race may be,
Remember only this, that he
Who is to you a stranger yet,
Is just a friend you've never met.—JOHN EWING, *Rotarian*. 20

FRIENDSHIP—21

An Arab once gave this definition of a friend: A friend is one to whom one may pour out all the contents of one's heart, chaff and grain together, knowing that the gentlest of hands will take and sift it, keep what is worth keeping, and with a breath of kindness, blow the rest away.—*Christian Herald*.

GERMANY—22

A German farmer in the Soviet occupation zone went into Allied-held west Berlin with 2 small pigs, a cow and his plow horse. He swapped them all for a brisk, young horse.

On his return, he was arrested by the Communist police for violating the law by taking livestock out of the Soviet zone. His defense was that he had benefitted east Germany by getting the best of the swap, because the plow horse he traded away was 30 yrs old and had a life expectancy of practically zero. He was let off with only 1 yr in jail.—*N Y Herald Tribune*.

GOVERNMENT—Controls—23

If you tie down one of a crab's legs and confront it with sudden death, it will jerk free of the leg and scuttle away to safety on its remaining seven. If you take the same crab, tie down one of its legs and put a dish of food just out of its reach, it will die of starvation.

In our constant fight against threatening "isms" we are very like the crab. We are willing to take vigorous action against any for'gn nation threatening our security . . . but in our daily life we docilely let gov't encroach on our private enterprise system. — PHIL MANN, *York Trade Composer*, hm, York Composition Co.

GREAT BRITAIN—24

England is an island surrounded, at the moment, by hot water. — *London Opinion*.

Twisting the British lion's tail is fast becoming a popular sport. — *Cincinnati Enquirer*.

INDIVIDUAL—Importance—25

As goes the individual, so goes the home. As goes the home so goes the nation.—Rev R D McCARTHY, *Indianapolis Times*.

INFLATION—26

Inflation is a cruel and unjust way of rationing an inadequate supply of goods and services. It is the opposite of equality of sacrifice.—BENJ L MASSE, *America*.

ISOLATION—27

Any nation that puts up a barrier between itself and the rest of the world will find itself in prison behind it. — CORWIN C ROACH, "Language, the Key to Life," *Modern Language Jnl*, 10-'51.

JEWS—28

Prejudice against Jews in the U S has dropped 40% since the end of World War II. Four scientific public opinion polls made during the last 2 yrs showed only 24% of those questioned had heard unfriendly talk about Jews. In '48 the level was 64%.—BENJ R EPSTEIN, nat'l director, B'nai B'rith.

KNOWLEDGE—Power—29

The right relation of knowledge and power is one of the key problems of our age.—LYMAN BRYSON, *Columbia Univ*, "Notes on a Theory of Advice," *Political Science Quarterly*, 9-'51.



Civil defense officials, currently tearing their hair over public indifference to precautions against enemy attack, may find some slight consolation in the thought that indifference is born of disbelief rather than depravity. Ten yrs ago, people also refused to view seriously the possibility of attack.

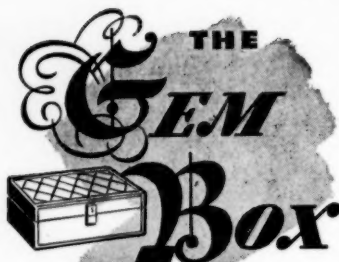
Even when Pearl Harbor was bombed on Dec 7, 1941,* Honolulu residents and other eye-witnesses could not at once realize that this was the real thing. One war correspondent woke his wife and asked if she'd like to know how an air raid sounded. "This is a good imitation," he told her.

Passengers on an incoming American liner were pleased at what seemed a nice gesture on the part of the U S Navy: staging maneuvers where they could see them. Too, it showed efficiency to be practicing war-games even on Sunday morning.

A bomb whooshed into the harbor and exploded. An automobile salesman, gawking admiringly at it, said to his companion: "Boy! What if that had been a real one?" He learned shortly that it had been a real one, when a ship's officer broke the bad news. Understandably nervous, the officer bungled his speech. "It seems," he announced, "there's a state of undeclared war between Honolulu and the U S."

Few became panicky when they did realize the attack was real. The same instinct that prompts people to follow fire trucks propelled pajama-clad citizens downtown or to the hills for a good view of the show. One man was heard to shout: "The mainland papers will exaggerate this!"

From the mainland came one of the most prophetic, if unidiomatic, comments on the attack. The Chinese Vice-Consul at New Orleans declared stirringly: "As far as Japan is concerned, their goose is overheated."



God's Work

An English writer, F M BOREHAM, wrote these words nearly half a century ago. They are nonetheless meaningful amid today's conflicts.

A century ago men were following with bated breath the march of Napoleon, and waiting with feverish impatience for news of the wars. And all the while, in their own homes, babies were being born.

But who could think about babies? Everybody was thinking about battles.

In one yr, midway between Trafalgar and Waterloo, there stole into the world a host of heroes. Gladstone was born in Liverpool, Tennyson at the Somersby Rectory, and Oliver Wendell Holmes in Massachusetts; and the very same day of that same yr Chas Darwin made his debut at Shrewsbury, and Abraham Lincoln drew his first breath in old Ky. Music was enriched by the advent of Felix Mendelssohn at Hamburg.

But nobody thought of babies; everybody was thinking of battles. Yet which of the battles of 1809 mattered more than the babies of 1809? We fancy that God can only manage His world with big battalions, when all the while He is doing it by beautiful babies. When a wrong wants righting, or a truth wants preaching, or a continent wants opening, God sends a baby into the world to do it.

LANGUAGE—30

A Norwegian, complaining about the strong emphasis on languages in the Norwegian school, reflected wisely, "People of smaller states always have to learn the languages of the greater nations with which they communicate." — ROBT E CRAMER, Library of Congress, "Learning Thru Internat'l Correspondence," *Journal of Geography*, 10-'51.

LEADERSHIP—31

It's not a bad idea to follow a leader, but wise to look 1st and see if he's headed in the right direction.—*Cominco Mag*, hm, Consolidated Mining Co.

LIFE—Creed—32

An old Negro waiter who, when asked how he got along so happily and well, said: "Well, I tend to my own business. I'm thankful for what comes my way, but I don't expect too much. I put my trust in the Lord and try to follow His will. And I've learned how to get along with disappointment."—DR NORMAN VINCENT PEALE, *Post-Hall Syndicate*.

MAN—Independence—33

Self-gov't, self-discipline, self-responsibility are the triple safeguards of the independence of man.—BERNICE MOORE, "Free Families Build Free Persons," *Jnl of Home Economics*, 10-'51.

MARRIED LIFE—34

The most dangerous mistake for a couple to make is to believe that something that has endured for 10 yrs will continue to endure. Everything is given hard use in marriage. After 10 yrs, the cords begin to break, the tableau begins to fall; both the carpets and the sentiments shows signs of wear.—ANDRE MAUROIS, *Cours de Bonheur Conjugal*. (Hachette, publisher; QUOTE translation)

MEMORY—35

Memory is the treasurer of the mind.—*War Cry*.

MONEY—36

I don't like money actually, but it quiets my nerves.—JOE LOUIS, *Good Housekeeping*.

OPINION—37

An obstinate man does not hold opinions — opinions hold him. — *Shield*, hm, Ind State Police.

ORIGIN: "Money has wings"—38

This expression is not just a figure of speech; it is based on fact, and is over 1,000 yrs old. During the reign of Chinese emperor Hsien Tsung (AD 806-821) there was issued paper money known as "flying money."—FRANK C ROSS, *Hobbies*.

PATRIOTISM—39

Americanism is an unfeeling love of country—loyalty to its institu-

tions and ideals; eagerness to defend it against all enemies; undivided allegiance to the flag; and a desire to secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and to posterity. — PERCY SIMMONS, *Hoard's Dairyman*.

PEACE—40

Every man's hope that he and his family may enjoy in peace the most fundamental of freedoms — the freedom from want and the fear of want—must be the cornerstone of the structure of peace among peoples.—NORRIS E DODD, Director Gen'l, Food & Agriculture Organization, *UN Bulletin*.

POLITICS—41

In order to make the full-time politician do an honest job, the average citizen must become a part-time politician until the word "politician" does not become a word of disgrace.—JEROME L RAPAPORT, Boston lawyer.

PREACHERS—Preaching—42

What we need is not so much preaching from pulpits as sermons in human lives. — A CALDICOTT, *World Call*.

RELIGION—43

Many persons would be religious if they could only find a faith that would not interfere with their personal lives.—*Christian Conservator*.

Taxes

Henry Suburban is aroused in the morning by his alarm clock (price \$6, plus \$1.32 tax). He walks across the floor of his \$8,000 house (annual property tax \$240) and switches on the electricity (3½¢ tax on each dollar of his monthly bill) which lights the bulb (price 20¢, plus 2¢ tax). Hardly a thing Henry touches is not taxed: cuff links (price \$3.50, plus 77¢ tax), toaster (price \$20.50, plus \$1.74 tax), refrigerator (price \$300, plus \$25.52), cigarette (price per pack 10¢, plus 7¢ fed'l tax, plus 4¢ state tax). Even Henry's wife, whom he kisses good-by, cost Henry a \$2 marriage license, to say nothing of the tax on the lipstick he wipes off.—ROSWELL MAGILL, *Sat Evening Post*. 44

RUSSIA—Censorship—45

Russia has banned export of 10 major scientific jnls with curtailment set for '52. No physics jnl will be allowed to leave Soviet confines; only the *Jnl of Gen'l Chemistry* and the *Jnl of Biochemistry* are exempt in the chemical field. Jnls of astronomy, botany, zoology, soil science, and mathematics are unaffected. Evidently, Russian interpretation of free flow of information between peoples is a one-way st. Soviet subscriptions to free-world scientific jnls continue unabated.—*Chemical & Engineering News*.

SAFETY—Safe Driving—46

Some people drive as though determined that no accident will be prevented if they can help it.—*Perfection Way*, hm, Perfection Mattress & Spring Co.

SEXES—47

The difference between a man and a woman is that a man will pay \$2 for a \$1 item he wants, while a woman will pay \$1 for a \$2 item she doesn't want.—*Leader*.

SOCIALISM—48

There are two places where Socialism works—one is a beehive and the other is an ant hill.—Sir IAN S RICHARDSON, *Forbes*.

SPEECH—Brevity—49

When you start telling a joke, better make it short. Otherwise you give your listener time to think up one to tell you.—RALPH SHANNON, *Washington (Ia) Jnl*.

SPORTS: Boxing—50

When morale at an American hospital unit in Australia demanded improvement, the C O requisitioned the usual, conveniently installed boxing equipment. Approx 50 of the 500 men in the unit took up the activity. Within a mo the attending brain surgeon hospitalized 4 of them for serious headaches, ringing in the ears, and dizzy spells. Within a yr 3 of the 4 were court-martialed, altho previously they had merited regular promotion.—ARTHUR H STEINHAUS, "Boxer's Brains Swapped for Medals," *Jnl of American Ass'n for Health, Physical Education & Recreation*, 10-'51.

SUCCESS—51

The success-man of the future has to be not a go-getter who

leaves his children richer, but a go-giver who leaves his community happier.—I A R WYLIE, author.

TAXES—52

Taxes are the only things we know of that defy the law of gravitation.—*Outdoor Ind.*

The Tame Old Duck

WOODBROW GEIER

*I think my soul is a tame old duck,
Dabbling around in barnyard muck,
Fat and lazy with useless wings,
But sometimes when the north wind sings
And the wild ones hurtle overhead,
It remembers something lost and dead,
And cocks a wary, bewildered eye,
And makes a feeble attempt to fly.
It's fairly content with the state it's in,
But it isn't the duck it might have been.—In Level Land,
edited by KENNETH C KAUFMAN. (Kaleidograph) 53*

THANKSGIVING—54

When little Johnnie arrived at the church to attend the Thanksgiving service, he was greeted by his Sunday-School teacher with the cheerful remark: "Well, Johnnie, I suppose you have a great deal to be thankful for today?"

"I'll say I have," the youngster exclaimed. "I'm thankful that Christmas will soon be here!" —*Wall St Jnl*.

THRIFT—55

Jay Gould and Jim Fisk, freebooters of finance of an earlier day, were involved in many business deals together but were never particularly friendly. A clergyman once remonstrated with Fisk for some of his acid remarks about Gould. "Mr Gould has his good points, you must admit," the clergyman insisted. "He keeps the Sabbath, for one."

"I've no doubt," agreed Fisk. "Gould keeps everything he gets his hands on."—*Property*, syndicated by Cambridge Associates, Boston.

VALUES—56

In Bagdad lived Hakeem, the wise one. A young man came to him and said, "Tell me, wise one, what shall I do to receive the most for that which I spend?"

Hakeem ans'd: "A thing bought or sold has no value unless it contains that which cannot be bought or sold. Look for the priceless ingredient."

"But what is that?"

"My son, the priceless ingredient of every product in the mkt place is the honor and integrity of him who makes it. Consider the name before you buy."—RAYMOND RUBIN-CAM, adv'g & business exec, Employment Counselor, hm, Employment Counselors Ass'n.

VISION—57

To make new things is the work of the hand. To make things new is the work of the heart.—*Conquest*.

WAR—58

A 3rd World War will not mean the total extinction of humanity, but it will mean the extinction of the humanity in man. — LOUIS FISCHER, author.

WEATHER—59

An Indian farmer, faced with the loss of all his crops because of a prolonged drought, went on a 9-day fast to appease the "rain-god." After 8 days of fasting, the farmer died. On the 9th day rain fell.—*Sunday Express*, London.

WORK—60

Work is one of the most enduring of all pleasures. — Editorial, *American Organist*.

WORLD AFFAIRS—61

The blueprints for a new world order are looking bluer and bluer. —*Dublin Opinion*.

YOUTH—62

In my opinion, there is little the matter with teen-agers, but a great deal the matter with the world into which they were born. It is unfair to judge them by a set of standards from previous eras; it is unjust to condemn them for imitating patterns of thinking and conduct which are the only ones they have known.—ANNA C WILLIAMS, "Teen-Agers Are Better Than Their Environment," *Clearing House*, 10-'51.

GOOD STORIES •

You Can Use

I LAUGHED AT THIS ONE

RICHARD ALDINGTON
British author

Back in '19, an American friend of mine, who was editing the *Outlook*, asked me to write an article telling his readers about young writers and picking out those I thought would make a name. I made a choice which I modestly think wasn't bad: Jas Joyce, T S Eliot, D H Lawrence, Aldous Huxley and Marcel Proust.

I rec'd a letter from my friend, the editor, in these terse terms: "For God's sake, Richard, can't you think of somebody who has been heard of or is ever likely to be heard of?"—*Ladies' Home Jnl.*

husband's att'n was taken by a huge painting of *The Dance of Salome*. "What's that picture, Marthy?" he asked his wife. She peered at the legend. "It says it's Solomon dancing for Herod," she announced. "I don't believe it, Marthy," protested the old man. "He never done it." "Oo, yes, he did!" insisted Martha. "Else how could he have been photographed?"—JOHN A FERRALL, *Voita Review*. e

A man's hunger is not appeased when he has to eat his own words.—Trumbull Cheer, *hm, Trumbull Electric*.

A movie mogul removed his thick bifocals and proceeded to roar down the highway at 90 mph. His companion soon remonstrated whereupon the man repl'd, "Stop worrying. This is a prescription windshield!"—H GARDNER, *Parade*. f

In an off-season *siesta* that great professional football guard, "Ox" Emerson, served as a gym instructor for a class of matrons. One day he demonstrated a few fundamental hand and finger exercises to this class.

From Merrie Olde England comes this tale, about an elderly Yorkshire couple who were visiting an exhibition of domestic appliances, one of the Festival of Britain displays in London, and paused to gaze thru the glass panel of a demonstration washing machine at a bunch of laundry that was being swirled and splashed. "Well," said the lady of the pair, "if that's television, they can have it." — *New Yorker*. a

A well-known aperitif co has donated a life-saving buoy to all of France's beaches. Equipped with a bottle of oxygen, the buoy can remain in the water for several hrs. When a drowning man grabs it, he will be able to read on the side: "Such-and-Such's aperitif is much better than water."—*Continental Daily Mail*. b

If you'd like to know how a turkey feels in Nov, just wait until March 15. — *Changing Times*.

"Now," explained the architect, "suppose you give me a gen'l idea of the style of home you want."

"Well, I think . . ." the husband began, but his wife interrupted him.

"We're not particular," she said, "but we want something to go with a door-knocker I picked up last summer in Vt."—*Furrow*. c

A neighbor and her husband and 4-yr-old son were invited to dinner at the home of friends. On the way to their hosts' the neighbor said to her little boy, "Clifford, I want you to be a little gentleman." Then she asked, "You know what being a little gentleman means?"

"Yes," came his reply. "It means I won't have a good time."—Mrs E L MEADERS, *Family Circle*. d

Relatives: *Inherited critics*.—Call Workman, *hm, Workman Service*.

How the pair ever managed to get into the art gallery is difficult to understand. But they wandered around looking at the pictures. The

"What good do these exercises do?" dubiously piped up the youngest enrollee.

Emerson paused and panted and looked her over.

"Aren't you a recent bride?" he inq'd.

"Well—yes," reluctantly admitted the young matron.

"Then these exercises are just the thing for you. They limber up fingers tired from can-opening."—GEO F TAUBENECK, *Air Conditioning & Refrigeration News*. g

Truth, crushed to earth, will rise again. But getting out of the confidential drawer in the bureaucrat's filing cabinet might be more of a trick.—Sen SOAPER, N A N A.

A male purchaser in a drug store asked to be shown different lipsticks for his sweetheart. Finally, he picked a shade he liked and asked the clerk: "Will this lipstick come off?" "Not if she puts up a good fight." — HARRY HERSHFIELD, *Cosmopolitan*. h

"Behold," exclaimed the spiritualistic medium, after the usual moment of wriggling and knocking, "before you is the spirit of your late wife!"

The client sat still and said nothing.

"Don't you understand?" cried the medium. "It is the form of your departed spouse. Why don't you speak to her?"

"Oh," repl'd the client, "if it is her she'll do all the talking."—*Montreal Star*. i

Brought to N Y by the American Museum of Natural History to collaborate with the museum staff in the preparation of a diorama representing the pine section of the south and to pose for the figure to be included in it, Wm Williams of Possum Corner, S C, found the metropolis grossly inadequate to cope with a man's simplest comforts. "Two days is enough for

me," he said. "Chewing tobacco is my main satisfaction; that's why I got to get out of N Y C—no place to spit."—*American Artist*. j

Virgin timber is timber that has never been axed.—*Evening Mail*.

Money

What makes us rise at break of day, gulp down a meal and rush away, and at a desk till evening stay? What is the glass thru which we scan each deed, each project and each plan, each struggle of a fellow-man? What clothes a stupid man with wit, enables him and makes him fit in company of kings to sit? For what do we sit honor by; give up a love without a sigh; endure the hissing and the cry?—*Money*. k

In these days of uncertainty, the only thing you can count on is your fingers.—*Frost Line*.

Mary was quite sure that she wanted to be a nurse until she reached the 3rd-grade. In the middle of that yr she submitted to an appendectomy. After seeing a close-up of the duties of a nurse, she made another decision. "I believe," she said, "that I will just be a plain woman like my mother." —*JAS L CREASY, Instructor*. l

Alibis in golf number in the thousands, but in a match at a course in Scotland, Louis Ansbacher, paint and varnish king, came up with a brand new one when a missed putt of less than 2 ft cost him a hole. He looked up angrily but not a soul had said a word, or moved one inch. The green was perfect.

Suddenly Ansbacher spied a tiny sailboat on the horizon. Throwing his putter to the ground he cried, "How can anybody putt with all those darn ships sailing around!" —*BENNETT CERF, This Wk*. m

A young Rumanian rec'd a notice of induction. "I hope," said the officer at the recruiting station, "that you are both happy and proud to be able to serve in our great army, which is built along the lines of the mighty Soviet army." "Yes, of course I am," said the young recruit with faint enthusiasm. "Fine," said the officer. "What regiment would you like to serve in?"

"In the General Staff."

"Are you crazy?"

"No, I don't think so," said the recruit. "Is that a qualification?" —*Randers Dagblad, Denmark*. n

Good Times: When you accumulate the debts you're unable to pay in bad times. —*CEDRIC ADAMS, Minneapolis Tribune*.

In San Jose, Calif, a Model-A Ford ran into a 70-car freight train at a grade crossing. The Ford suffered slight damage to the bumper, fender and radiator. The Southern Pacific Ry had to send 5 freight cars to the shops for repairs.—*Quick*. o

A home economist was giving a cooking demonstration before a group of farm women. "Take an egg," she explained, "and carefully perforate the basal end. Duplicate the process in the apex. Then applying the lips to one of the apertures, by forcibly exhaling the breath discharge the shell of its contents."

Aunt Cassie, age 85, turned to a neighbor. "Beats all how different these new-fangled ways is," she said. "When I was a girl, we just poked a hole in each end and blowed."—*Woodmen of the World Magazine*. p

Spot cash: What a dry cleaner gets for his services.—

T HARRY THOMPSON, Sales Mgt.

According to Herb Shriner, there was a fellow in his hometown who was born with a silver spoon in his mouth. He swallowed it. He hasn't stirred since. —*Illustrated Press*. q



HOUSEHOLD—Safety: If child locks himself in the bathroom, new safety door hinges enable you to shove your way in from outside. Safety Hinge Corp'n, Box 111, Cranford, N J. (*McCall's*)

OFFICE EQUIPMENT: Portable intercom system, labeled Vocatron, needs no special wiring. Units plug into any 110 AC-DC line not broken by transformers. Made by Bayfort Society, Box 1808, Charlotte, N C. (*Business Week*)

SAFETY: Norway contributes an aluminum raft to sea safety. Rafts are made of large-diameter aluminum pipes divided into airtight compartments. Pipes on each raft form rectangle surrounding wooden floor and containers for food, equipment. Fully equipped raft for 21 persons weighs only 465 lbs. (*Wall St Jnl*)

SCALES: Hamilton Specialties, Inc. of Boston, is distributing stainless steel and aluminum postal scale that works on pendulum principle. With no springs, it cannot get out of adjustment. (*Newsweek*)

THEATRE: An unusual open-air theater is planned for Pittsburgh. It will seat 9500, is to be covered with flexible plastic roof somewhat like an umbrella that can be opened or closed in a minute or two. (NEAL O'HARA, *McNaught Syndicate*)

TOOLS: Electrically operated snow-removal machine, designed to clear sidewalks, is 2-wheel device pushed by lawnmower handle containing small motor activated by cable connection to household current. Tosses snow up 20 ft to right or left. (*Science News Letter*)

Quote CALENDAR

December 2

- 1517—d Hernando Cortez, Spanish soldier, explorer
1893—Monroe Doctrine declared
1825—b Dom Pedro II, Brazilian emperor
1859—d John Brown, American abolitionist
1866—b Henry T Burleigh, American Negro baritone, composer

December 3

- 1755—b Gilbert Stuart, American artist
1818—Ill admitted to Union
1873—b Arthur Atwater Kent, American mfr, inventor

December 4

- 1795—b Thos Carlyle, English author
1835—b Sam'l Butler, English author
1865—b Edith Cavell, English nurse

December 5

- 1782—b Martin Van Buren, 8th U S Pres
1230—b Christina Rossetti, English poet
1839—b Geo A Custer, American army officer
1867—b Josef Pilsudski, Polish soldier, statesman
1920—21st (Prohibition) Amendment adopted

December 6

- 1732—b Warren Hastings, 1st Gov-gen'l of British India
1778—b Jos Louis Gay-Lussac, French chemist
1788—b Richard Harris Barham (Thos Ingoldsby), English humorist
1857—b Jos Conrad, Polish-born English novelist
1259—b Edw Hugh Sothorn, American actor
1863—b Chas Martin Hall, American inventor
1867—b Karl Bitter, Austrian-born American sculptor
1886—b Joyce Kilmer, American poet

December 7

- 1598—b Giovanni Lorenzo Bernini, Italian sculptor, architect
1787—Delaware 1st state to ratify Constitution
1876—b Willa Cather, American author
1941—Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor

December 8

- 1542—b Mary Stuart, Queen of Scots
1765—b Eli Whitney, American inventor
1810—b Elihu Burritt, American diplomat
1832—b Bjornstjerne Bjornson, Norwegian novelist, poet, dramatist
1859—d Thos De Quincey, English author
1865—b Jan Sibelius, Finnish composer

*Indicates relevant mat'l on this page.
See also Pathways to the Past.

RICHARD HARRIS BARHAM

Never was heard such a terrible curse!

But what gave rise

To no little surprise,

Nobody seemed one penny the worse!

ELIHU BURRITT

Among the instrumentalities of love and peace, surely there can be no sweeter, softer, more effective voice than that of gentle peace-breathing music.

SAMUEL BUTLER

All of the animals except man know that the principal business of life is to enjoy it.

THOMAS CARLYLE

Accent is a kind of chanting; all men have accents of their own,—tho they only notice that of others.

WILLA CATHER

Desire is creation.

Love's Lantern

JOYCE KILMER*

*Because the road was steep
and long
And thru a dark and lonely
land,
God set upon my lips a song
And put a lantern in my hand.*

*Thru miles on weary miles
of night
That stretch relentless on my
way,
My lantern burns serene and
white,
An unexhausted cup of day.*

*Oh, golden lights and lights
like wine,
How dim your boasted splen-
dors are!
Behold this little lamp of
mine:
It is more star-like than a star.*

JOSEPH CONRAD

All ambitions are lawful except those which climb upward on the miseries or credulities of mankind.

THOMAS De QUINCEY

If once a man indulges himself in murder, very soon he comes to think little of robbing; and from robbing he next comes to drinking and Sabbath-breaking, and from that to incivility and procrastination.—*On Murder.*

ARTHUR ATWATER KENT

Fred Allen studied the list of Hollywood luminaries who, despite their own wealth, were bequeathed sums of money by the late Atwater Kent. Allen read the names of the legatees: Greer Garson, Irene Wrightsman, Edgar Bergen, Hedda Hopper, Sir Chas Mendl and others. "Leaving money to these peo-

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ple," said Allen, "is like dying in Wilkes-Barre and leaving to everybody there a pail of coal."—LEONARD LYONS, McNaught Syndicate.

MARTIN VAN BUREN

The second, sober thought of the people is seldom wrong, and always efficient.

